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Director's Meeting

Monday, 3 December 1951

The DCI noted an unevaluated report [] to the effect that an attempt would be made to assassinate Ambassador []

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Mr. Dulles reported that arrangements had been completed for the employment of [] by CIA. Mr. Dulles had talked with [] who agreed solely on the grounds of National need, since he regarded [] as his most valuable assistant. The DCI commented that CIA would do well to keep [] who could be used in a number of places.

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The DCI commented that Gen. [] would be in to see him at 4 p.m. If we were unable to secure [] he felt that we should take Gen. [] for the Estimates Board.

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Mr. Dulles informed the DCI that [] was interested in the [] assignment, according to information received from []. The DCI suggested that a personal message be sent to [] expressing our interest.

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Mr. Dulles reported on his conversation with [] respecting the coordination of atomic energy matters []. The DCI directed that if any further matters arose in this connection, [] or any others should be instructed to discuss it with the DCI, who was personally familiar with the entire matter. The DCI thought the real question was whether the job was being done adequately and he planned to discuss this both with Gen. Bolling and with representatives of the AEC. If it was felt, after such discussions, that the present system of coordination should be changed, the DCI planned to borrow someone from the AEC and have him detailed to CIA. This would disassociate the question of coordination from a tempest in a teapot raised with respect to sending []

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The DCI commented in connection with this discussion that CIA might soon be requested to state whether or not it desired [] to stay or wanted the new man. The DCI indicated that his personal feeling was to reply that CIA could work with either man and did not wish to express a preference, but he desired to be advised on this.

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Mr. Wisner handed to the DCI a draft of a memorandum outlining what might be said to []

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The DCI noted that Mr. Lovett was now back in Washington and that the move [] was imminent. The DCI planned to see Mr. Lovett on this matter tomorrow.

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With respect to the survey of OSI, the DCI indicated that he would talk to []

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Mr. [] raised a question as to the newspaper report that US codes had been compromised by transmitting the Korean armistice line and it was felt that some inquiry should be made on this point.

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